

STANDARDS OF NURSING PRACTICE

The school nurse provides services that advance students' well-being, academic success and lifelong achievement. To guide the school nurse, The American Nurses' Association (ANA) and the National Association of School Nurses (NASN) have produced the Scope and Standards of Professional School Nursing Practice. School boards, administrators, and school nurses can use this reference to incorporate the systematic process to assess the student health situation and to identify outcomes required for the Individual Health Plan (IHP) and or other planning processes.

The combination of the scope of practice statement and nursing standards provide a framework for professional expectations of nurses who serve our students and further define and clarify the role of nursing within schools and the school community.

“The standards serve as a definitive guide for role implementation, interpretation and evaluation...the scope statement describes the who, what, where, when, why and how of the specialty”.

Each school nurse who provided contact information to KDE's Coordinated School Health Program have received a copy of the publication listed above.